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Ms. Andrea Wilkens  
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Federal Election Commission  
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RE: C00075820 - November Monthly Report (10/1/01-10/31/01)

Dear Ms. Wilkens:

On November 20, as we were filing our November Monthly Report (10/1/01-10/31/01), our data was validated by the FEC system, however the download failed when the server noted a bad format. After several attempts to find the cause, we placed a call to the 24-hour help line at NIC and awaited a response. Since we were unable to file the report in our usual manner, we filed a diskette with the Commission postmarked November 20 (Certified, Return Receipt Requested). All of the data that would normally have been transmitted to the Commission via the web was on the diskette and the Commission filing system had validated the data. NIC returned our call on Wednesday, November 21.

This afternoon, our consultant spoke to a member of the NIC staff regarding the error in format. We were told that our header record had a blank between a series of commas. These blanks were a part of an older version of the filing format, and they caused the error. Further, NIC told us that since the diskette had a blank in the header as well, it would be rejected and they advised us to file the report again. The report was filed again this afternoon (FEC-21975).

I hope that this letter will serve to clarify the public record regarding the filing of the above mentioned report and that the Commission will recognize the postmark as the original file date. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me at 202/479-7027.

Sincerely,

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Treasurer

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